

Coast Guard, DOT

§ 164.02

length to five vessels, including the towing vessel or vessels.

[CGFR 60-61, 25 FR 9045, Sept. 21, 1960. Redesignated by CGD 81-017, 46 FR 28154, May 26, 1981]

§ 163.20 Bunching of tows.

(a) In all cases where tows can be bunched, it should be done.

(b) Tows navigating in the North and East Rivers of New York must be bunched above a line drawn between Robbins Reef Light and Owls Head, Brooklyn, but the quarantine anchorage and the north entrance to Ambrose Channel shall be avoided in the process of bunching tows.

(c) Tows must be bunched above the mouth of the Schuylkill River, Pa.

[CGFR 60-61, 25 FR 9045, Sept. 21, 1960, as amended by CGFR 64-21, 29 FR 5733, Apr. 30, 1964. Redesignated by CGD 81-017, 46 FR 28154, May 26, 1981]

PART 164—NAVIGATION SAFETY REGULATIONS

Sec.

164.01 Applicability.

164.02 Applicability exception for foreign vessels.

164.03 Incorporation by reference.

164.11 Navigation under way: General.

164.13 Navigation underway: tankers.

164.15 Navigation bridge visibility.

164.19 Requirements for vessels at anchor.

164.25 Tests before entering or getting underway.

164.30 Charts, publications, and equipment: General.

164.33 Charts and publications.

164.35 Equipment: All vessels.

164.37 Equipment: Vessels of 10,000 gross tons or more.

164.38 Automatic radar plotting aids (ARPA).

164.39 Steering gear: Foreign tankers.

164.40 Devices to indicate speed and distance.

164.41 Electronic position fixing devices.

164.42 Rate of turn indicator.

164.43 Automatic Identification System Shipborne Equipment.

164.51 Deviations from rules: Emergency.

164.53 Deviations from rules and reporting: Non-operating equipment.

164.55 Deviations from rules: Continuing operation or period of time.

164.61 Marine casualty reporting and record retention.

164.70 Definitions.

164.72 Navigational-safety equipment, charts or maps, and publications required on towing vessels.

164.74 Towline and terminal gear for towing astern.

164.76 Towline and terminal gear for towing alongside and pushing ahead.

164.78 Navigation under way: Towing vessels.

164.80 Tests and inspections.

164.82 Maintenance, failure, and reporting.

AUTHORITY: 33 U.S.C. 1223, 1231; 46 U.S.C. 2103, 3703; 49 CFR 1.46. Sec. 164.13 also issued under 46 U.S.C. 8502. Sec. 164.61 also issued under 46 U.S.C. 6101.

§ 164.01 Applicability.

(a) This part (except as specifically limited herein) applies to each self-propelled vessel of 1600 or more gross tons (except foreign vessels described in § 164.02) when it is operating in the navigable waters of the United States except the St. Lawrence Seaway.

(b) Sections 164.70 through 164.82 of this part apply to each towing vessel of 12 meters (39.4 feet) or more in length operating in the navigable waters of the United States other than the St. Lawrence Seaway; except that a towing vessel is exempt from the requirements of § 164.72 if it is—

(1) Used solely within a limited geographic area, such as a fleet area for barges or a commercial facility, and used solely for restricted service, such as making up or breaking up larger tows;

(2) Used solely for assistance towing as defined by 46 CFR 10.103;

(3) Used solely for pollution response; or

(4) Any other vessel exempted by the Captain of the Port (COTP). The COTP, upon written request, may, in writing, exempt a vessel from § 164.72 for a specified route if he or she decides that exempting it would not allow its unsafe navigation under anticipated conditions.

[CGD 83-004, 49 FR 43466, Oct. 29, 1984, as amended by CGD 94-020, 61 FR 35072, July 3, 1996]

§ 164.02 Applicability exception for foreign vessels.

(a) This part (including §§ 164.38 and 164.39) does not apply to vessels that: